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FATAL PEDESTRIAN HIT AND RUN COLLISION SOUTH NOGALES HIGHWAY AND EAST ELVIRA ROAD

On September 12, 2015, at approximately 11:40 p.m., officers from Operations Division South responded to a report of a hit and run collision involving several pedestrians and a motor vehicle. The collision was on South Nogales Highway near East Elvira Road. Officers arrived on scene and located one adult female deceased on scene. An 11 year-old child with non-life-threatening injuries was also located. Members from the Tucson Fire Department arrived on scene and the child was transported to Banner University Medical Center for treatment.

Officers on scene evaluated the evidence in the roadway and obtained information on a potential suspect vehicle. Officers then responded to the 10100 block of South Nogales Highway. Upon arrival, officers located a 1992 Oldsmobile Cutlass that had significant damage consistent with the collision. Members from the Air Unit and K9 Unit responded to assist. The officers also observed the front door to a nearby trailer was open. An adult male was located near the trailer and taken into custody without incident.

Detectives from the Tucson Police Department Traffic Investigations Unit responded to the scene to continue the investigation. They were able to determine the adult female and child were walking southbound on Nogales Highway in the shoulder area along the western side of the road. The driver of the Oldsmobile was southbound on Nogales Highway in the curb lane and struck both pedestrians. The driver then fled the scene. Both speed and alcohol appear to be a factor in this collision.

The adult female pedestrian has been identified as 38 year-old Marisa Robles. Next of kin has been notified.

The driver of the Oldsmobile has been identified as 22 year-old Joshua Ochoa. He was arrested for Second Degree Murder, Aggravated Assault, Hit and Run Involving Death/Injury, Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was booked into the Pima County Jail. His booking photograph is provided.

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Fatalities Year-To-Date:

For 2014 - 23

Pedestrian - 7

Bicycle - 0

Motorcycle - 2

For 2015 - 38

Pedestrian - 9

Bicycle - 2

Motorcycle - 5

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